Modernisation of abrasive industry

1197. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to modernise the abrasive industry;

(b) whether the modernisation programme would be taken up during the current financial year; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The Government have taken several steps to encourage modernisation and technology upgradation in industry. Some of these steps are:

(i) Import of technology for modernisation.

(ii) Permitting capacity increase, resulting from modernisation, upto 49 per cent over licensed capacity without locational constraints.

(iii) Liberalisation of the TDF Scheme by increasing the upper limit to Rs. 2 crores and expanding its coverage.

The abrasive industry can take advantage of these schemes for its modernisation.

Grant of letter of intent for a new project at Rourkela, Orissa

1198. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Orissa Government had applied to Central Government for grant of letter of intent to set up a new project at Rourkela in Sundergarh district to produce 50,000 TPA of caprolactum;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and when the State Government had applied for the grant of letter of intent;

(c) what are the reasons for the delay; and

(d) the steps being taken by Central Government to clear it at an early date?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (d) M/s. Industrial Promotion & Investment Corporation of Orissa Ltd. (IPICOL), a State owned undertaking of Govt. of Orissa had submitted an application on 25-8-87 for an inuustrial licence for manufacture of 50,000 TPA of caproloctum and 1,16,000 TPA of ammonium Sulphate (by-product) at Tehsil Pamposh, Rourkela, Distt. Sundargarh in the State of Orissa. The application from M/s. IPICOL for licence for setting up of this project has been rejected on techno-economic considerations.

Central Public Sector Industries in Orissa

1199. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the central public sector industries in Orissa at present;

(b) what is the number of employees in each of these industries; and

(c) what is the number of Scheduled Tribe employees working in each of these industries?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c) The names of the Central Public Sector Enterprises with their registered offices located in the State of Orissa the number of employees and the number of Scheduled Tribe employees working in those enterprises, as per